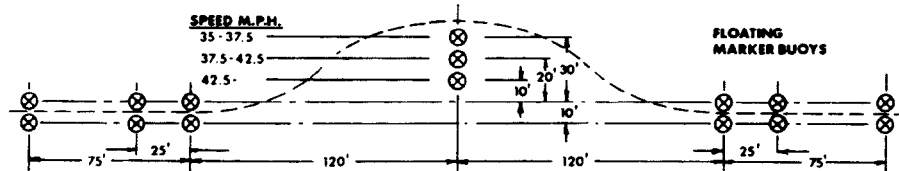


Figure 183.53.—Boat Horsepower Capacity Test Course—35 mph or more



[CGD 85-002, 51 FR 37574, Oct. 23, 1986]

Subpart E [Reserved]**Subpart F—Flotation Requirements for Inboard Boats, Inboard/Outdrive Boats, and Airboats**

SOURCE: CGD 75-168, 42 FR 20243, Apr. 18, 1977, unless otherwise noted.

§ 183.101 Applicability.

This subpart applies to monohull inboard boats, inboard/outdrive boats, and airboats less than 20 feet in length, except sailboats, canoes, kayaks, inflatable boats, submersibles, surface effect vessels, amphibious vessels, and raceboats.

[CGD 75-168, 42 FR 20243, Apr. 18, 1977, as amended by USCG-1999-5832, 64 FR 34716, June 29, 1999]

§ 183.105 Quantity of flotation required.

(a) Each boat must have enough flotation to keep any portion of the boat above the surface of the water when the boat has been submerged in calm, fresh water for at least 18 hours and loaded with:

(1) A weight that, when submerged, equals two-fifteenths of the persons capacity marked on the boat;

(2) A weight that, when submerged, equals 25 percent of the dead weight; and

(3) A weight in pounds that, when submerged, equals 62.4 times the volume in cubic feet of the two largest air chambers, if air chambers are used for flotation.

(b) For the purpose of this section, "dead weight" means the maximum weight capacity marked on the boat minus the persons capacity marked on the boat.

§ 183.110 Definitions.

For the purpose of this subpart:

ASTM means American Society for Testing and Materials. The Coast Guard incorporates by reference ASTM Standard D-471, dated March 28, 1975, in § 183.114 of this subpart. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Office of the Federal Register on December 6, 1977. The Coast Guard also incorporates by reference ASTM Standard D-2482, dated November 14, 1969 (reapproved 1975), in § 183.114 of this subpart. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Office of the Federal Register on September 11, 1978. The incorporated standards are available for inspection at Coast Guard Headquarters, Room 1308, Transpoint Building, 2100 2nd St., SW., Washington DC 20593 and at the Office of the Federal Register library, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington DC 20408. The incorporated standards may be obtained from the American Society for Testing and Materials, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia, PA 19103.

Bilge means the area in the boat, below a height of 4 inches measured from the lowest point in the boat where liquid can collect when the boat is in its static floating position, except engine rooms.

Connected means allowing a flow of water in excess of one-quarter ounce per hour from the engine room bilge into any other compartment with a 12 inch head of water on the engine room side of the bulkhead.

Engine room bilge means the area in the engine room or a connected compartment below a height of 12 inches measured from the lowest point where

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liquid can collect in these compartments when the boat is in its static floating position.

Engine room means the compartment where a permanently installed gasoline or diesel engine is installed, including connected compartments.

Open to atmosphere means a compartment that has at least 15 square inches of open area directly exposed to the atmosphere for each cubic foot of net compartment volume.

Sealed compartment means an enclosure that can resist an exterior water level of 12 inches without seepage of more than one-quarter fluid ounce per hour.

[CGD 77-145, 43 FR 56858, Dec. 4, 1978, as amended by CGD 82-010, 48 FR 8273, Feb. 28, 1983; CGD 85-098, 52 FR 19728, May 27, 1987; CGD 96-026, 61 FR 33670, June 28, 1996; USCG-1999-5832, 64 FR 34716, June 29, 1999]

§ 183.112 Flotation material and air chambers.

(a) Flotation materials must meet the requirements in § 183.114 as listed in Table 183.114 when used in the: (1) Engine room bilge, (2) engine room, or (3) bilge, unless located in a sealed compartment.

(b) Air chambers used to meet the flotation requirements of this subpart must not be integral with the hull.

[CGD 77-145, 43 FR 56859, Dec. 4, 1978; 44 FR 47934, Aug. 16, 1979]

§ 183.114 Test of flotation materials.

(a) *Vapor test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being immersed in a fully saturated gasoline vapor atmosphere for 30 days at a minimum temperature of 38 °C.

(b) *24-hour gasoline test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being immersed for 24 hours at 23 plus or minus 2 °C in reference fuel B, of ASTM D-471.

(c) *30-day gasoline test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being immersed for 30 days at 23 plus or minus 2 °C in reference fuel B, of ASTM D-471.

(d) *24-hour oil test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being im-

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mersed for 24 hours at 23 plus or minus 2 °C in reference oil No. 2, of ASTM D-471.

(e) *30-day oil test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being immersed for 30 days at 23 plus or minus 2 °C in reference oil No. 2, of ASTM D-471.

(f) *24-hour bilge cleaner test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being immersed for 24 hours at 23 plus or minus 2 °C in a 5-percent solution of trisodium phosphate in water.

(g) *30-day bilge cleaner test*. The flotation material must not reduce in buoyant force more than 5 percent after being immersed for 30 days at 23 plus or minus 2 °C in a 5-percent solution of trisodium phosphate in water.

(h) The buoyant force reduction in paragraphs (a) through (g) of this section is measured in accordance with ASTM D-2842.

TABLE 183.114—FLOTATION PERFORMANCE TESTS

Test 183.114	Area 183.110		
	(b) Engine- room bilge	(c) Engine- room un- less open to atmos- phere	(d) Bilge
(a) Vapor test .....	.....	X	.....
(b) 24 hour gasoline test .....	.....	.....	X
(c) 30 day gasoline test	X	.....	.....
(d) 24 hour oil test .....	.....	.....	X
(e) 30 day oil test	X	.....	.....
(f) 24 hour bilge cleaner test .....	.....	.....	X
(g) 30 day bilge cleaner test	X	.....	.....

[CGD 77-145, 43 FR 56859, Dec. 4, 1978; 44 FR 47934, Aug. 16, 1979]

Subpart G—Flotation Requirements for Outboard Boats Rated for Engines of More Than 2 Horsepower

SOURCE: CGD 75-168, 42 FR 20243, Apr. 18, 1977, unless otherwise noted.

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§ 183.201 Applicability.

(a) This subpart applies to monohull outboard boats that are: